

MINERS' WAGES CUT.
DENVER, Jan. 6.—Wage scales were reduced 5 per cent Friday in the Fremont county mines of the Colorado Fuel & Iron company to conform to the scale in effect in the company's southern properties, according to an announcement made today by President J. F. Weiborn.

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The Evening Herald

IRISH PRESIDENT RESIGNS; CIVIL WAR FEARED

BURCH TRIES TO END LIFE BY A LEAP?

Officer Prevents Murder Defendant From Dropping 30 Feet

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 6.—When Arthur C. Burch was taken from his cell at the county jail today to go to the court room where he is on trial charged with the murder of J. Belton Kennedy, he either slipped or tried to jump through the railing around the jail corridor to the steel floor about 30 feet below.

A deputy sheriff was escorting Burch to the jail office to turn him over to the court room deputies. The officer said Burch had deliberately tried to leap over the railing but was prevented by a grip on his arm. Burch said he stumbled accidentally.

Numerous prisoners who saw the occurrence expressed the belief that Burch had tried to leap. A fall such as was narrowly escaped would probably result in serious injury or death, jailors said.

Peter F. Peterson, a defense witness, was recalled out of turn when court convened today. Peterson had previously qualified as an expert on firearms and had related experiments made with the left barrel of a shot gun, to determine the spread of the shot in stated distances. Today he told of experimenting with the right barrel.

BRITISH REVOKE CITIZENSHIP OF SIR EDGAR SPEYER

Banker Accused of Trading With Enemy During the War

LONDON, Jan. 6.—The British home secretary today issued, in the form of a government decree, the report on which Sir Edgar Speyer's naturalization was recently revoked.

SPEYER CALLS CHARGES AGAINST HIM TRIFLING

NEW YORK, Jan. 6.—Sir Edgar Speyer, international financier and former privy councillor of Great Britain, in a statement here concerning the report of the British naturalization revocation committee which recommended that his British citizenship be revoked because of charges of disloyalty during the war, said today in their "in self defense to exhibit in their true light the origin, history and purpose of the proceedings against him."

The decision of the committee, he said, is based on three alleged grounds: equally tenuous and untenable.

What the committee characterized as trading with the enemy, he said, consisted of trifling transactions in arbitrage and exchange with a reputable Amsterdam banking house as though it were disloyal to deal with Holland during the war, as most British banking houses, including ours, were doing with the full knowledge of the government.

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Second Arbuckle Trial to Be Delayed At Least One Day

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 6.—A continuance of at least one day in the second manslaughter trial of Roscoe C. (Fatty) Arbuckle, scheduled to start next Monday, will be necessary. It was announced by both sides today, on account of another trial which is now progressing.

"We expected that the case being tried would take only two days but it has already taken two weeks," District Attorney Brady announced.

Although we are ready to proceed with the Arbutine case, we will be compelled to ask for a continuance until Tuesday at least," he said.

Gavin McNab, chief defense counsel, announced that he would be ready Tuesday. "We shall oppose any further continuance," he said.

U. S. SEEKS TO BAR POISON GAS IN FUTURE WAR

Move Follows Acceptance of Resolution Limiting Sub Warfare

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.—Consideration of submarine questions was concluded today by the five powers naval committee with adoption of the final Root resolution declaring submarine commanders who, with or without orders from their government violate the existing international law or submarine warfare, to be guilty of piracy.

The American delegation through Mr. Root thereupon brought forth a new proposal to prohibit the use of poison gas in future wars. It was said to have been received favorably but a decision went over until tomorrow.

The first resolution, as adopted by the naval committee, was widened in its scope so that its application would be not only to commanders of submarines which might violate the recognized laws of war, but also commanders of naval vessels of any character. The reason for this modification of the original Root proposal was not disclosed in the official announcement which carried the resolution as it was adopted.

The subject of poison gas developed from a report on chemical warfare submitted by the American advisory committee, recommending prohibition of poison gas as an inhumane agency of war. Mr. Root presented a resolution to the committee embodying the principles of the advisory committee's recommendations.

Italy Accepts.

Italy immediately announced adherence to the proposed American principles. Spokesman of the other powers desired to examine the American proposal in more detail and asked that the subject go over until tomorrow.

The Root resolution to ban poison gas follows:

The use in war of asphyxiating, poisonous or analogous liquids or materials or devices having been mainly condemned by the general opinion of the civilized world and a prohibition of such use having been declared in treaties to which a majority of the civilized powers are party.

Now to the end that this proposal shall be universally accepted as a part of international law, bearing the charge that he should be invited to make this resolution in the name of nations, the signatory powers declare their assent to such proposition agree to be bound thereby between themselves and invite all other civilized nations to adhere thereto.

Re-Draft of Treaty.

American delegates pointed out that the proposed prohibition of poison gas was a declaration of the principles of international law, and that the committee, with the full knowledge of the government, had agreed to bind themselves and invite all other civilized nations to adhere thereto.

The signatory powers, desiring to insure the enforcement of humane rules of existing law declared by them with respect to attacks upon the seizure and destruction of merchant ships, further declare that any person in the service of any power who shall violate any of those rules, whether or not such person is under orders of a governmental superior, shall be deemed to have violated the law of war and shall be liable to trial and punishment as if for an act of piracy and may be brought to trial before the civil or military authorities of any power within the jurisdiction which he may be found.

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